

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
ATLANTA DIVISION

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J.W. LEDFORD, JR.,

Petitioner,

v.

FREDRICK HEAD, Warden, Georgia
Diagnostic and Classification
Prison,

Respondent.

CIVIL ACTION NO.

1:02-CV-1515-JEC

LUTHER D. THOMAS, Clerk
By: *[Signature]*
Deputy Clerk

O R D E R

In its Order denying Petitioner's Motion for Leave to Conduct Discovery and Authorization and Payment of Necessary Expert Services [30], the Court requested briefing from the parties on the issue of whether the state habeas court provided petitioner a full and fair hearing on his mental health claims. (Order [30] at 8-9.) The Court further indicated that if it finds that petitioner was denied a full and fair hearing, it will allow the petitioner an evidentiary hearing on this issue, and that only then would the Court address the other arguments raised by the parties.

Accordingly, the Court sets forth the following schedule for briefing on the full and fair hearing issue: Petitioner's brief is due thirty (30) days from the date of this Order, on **Wednesday, March**

1, 2006. Respondent will have **thirty (30) days** to file a response, which is due on **Friday, March 31, 2006**. Petitioner then will have fifteen (15) days to file a reply, which is due on **Monday, April 17, 2006**. These briefs should address the specific issue whether the state habeas court provided petitioner a full and fair hearing on the issue of his mental health status.

SO ORDERED, this 30 day of January, 2006.



JULIE E. CARNES
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE